UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

CANDY L. SHARPE,

Plaintiff,

and

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES,

Involuntary Plaintiff,

v.

WAL-MART STORES EAST LP, ABC INSURANCE COMPANY, DEF INSURANCE COMPANY, GHI INSURANCE COMPANY, DEAN HEALTH PLAN INC., COMMON GROUND HEALTHCARE COOPERATIVE, NETWORK HEALTH PLAN, CONTINENTAL 76 FUND LLC, WAL-MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS TRUST, JKL CORPORATION, and MNO INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendants.

Case No. 18-CV-1912-JPS

ORDER

On December 4, 2018, this personal injury case was removed from Washington County Circuit Court to the Eastern District of Wisconsin pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 1332, and randomly assigned to Magistrate Judge David E. Jones. (Docket #1). On January 28, 2019, the involuntary plaintiff in this matter, State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services ("DHS")

filed a motion to dismiss itself from the action. (Docket #29). On February 1, 2019, the case was reassigned to this branch of the court.

Under Wis. Stat. § 49.89(2), DHS has a subrogated interest in the payment of Plaintiff's medical claim in this action, and "may make a claim or maintain an action or intervene. . .against the 3rd party." However, DHS has determined that Plaintiff's medical expenses are below the threshold at which it pursues recovery. (Docket #29 at 2). Therefore, DHS moves to dismiss itself from the lawsuit with prejudice, and "releases and discharges its subrogation lien resulting from a claim under Wis. Stat. § 49.89(2), without costs to any party[.]" *Id.* There have been no objections to this motion.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services' motion to dismiss (Docket #29) be and the same is hereby GRANTED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services be and the same is hereby DISMISSED from this action with prejudice and without costs to any party.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this 8th day of March, 2019.

BY THE COURT:

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U.S. District Judge